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Report Says Fired CIA Agent Now Works for Top-Security Firm

DOES THE CIA HAVE A FORgiving heart for agents who've gone wrong?

Four years ago, an electronics specialist named William Weisenburger was fired from the agency for allegedly aiding a plan to sell explosives to Libya.

An article being prepared for the November issue of The Progressive quotes a federal-intelligence-agency source as saying Weisen-

burger is now working for Scientific Communications, Inc., a top-security supplier of CIA hardware. New York was told by a lawyer for the Dallas-based firm that a "William Weisenburger" has been employed as a "paid consultant" since 1979. "Fundamentally, he is an engineer," said the lawyer.

Investigators say the CIA's Weisenburger was

fired for his role in a scheme by ex-agents Edwin Wilson and Frank Terpil to sell weapons to Libyan strongman Muammar el-Qaddafi.

A recent article in the New York Times magazine claimed that Weisenburger, while with the CIA, had agreed to help make explosives hardware that Qaddasi was ordering from Wilson and Terpil. Weisenburger was also at a meeting

at which Scientific Communications was asked to produce the hardware, the Times article said.

A congressional committee is probing how much the CIA knew about Wilson and Terpil's private dealings. The Progressive article will suggest that federal investigators wonder if Weisenburger's apparent new job is a sign of CIA acquiescence in the Libyan scheme.